

representative Thompson, and said amendments shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the Committee of the Whole or in the House, on H.R. 11552, Voter Registration Act. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thompson and Representatives Dickinson and Frenzel.

INTERNATIONAL SPACE LAW

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Space Science and Applications continued hearings on the International Space Law. Testimony was heard from Ronald F. Stowe, Assistant Legal Adviser for United Nations Affairs, Department of State; and Arnold W. Frutkin, Assistant Administrator for International Affairs, NASA.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Environment and Atmosphere met and approved for full committee action a clean bill on Solid Waste Disposal.

EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Science, Research and Technology met and approved for full committee action H.R. 14876, Earthquake Hazard Reduction Act.

INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE REPORT LEAK

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Concluded hearings on the unauthorized publication of the report of the Select Committee on Intelligence. Testimony was heard from Representatives Murphy of Illinois, Stanton, and Kasten; and former employees of the Select Committee on Intelligence.

SPECIAL UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE EXTENSION ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Unemployment Compensation met and approved for full committee action a clean bill in lieu of H.R. 13071, Special Unemployment Assistance Extension Act of 1976.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR/HEW

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 14232, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare for fiscal year 1977, but did not reach final agreement thereon and will meet again tomorrow.

FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATION

Conferees continued in an evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed

versions of H.R. 12169, extending the Federal Energy Administration until September 30, 1977.

Friday, July 30, 1976

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3709-3713; S.J. Res. 209; and S. Res. 498-499.

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Measures Passed:

Southeast Asia: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for the White House H.R. 5360, increasing from \$60 to \$150 monthly benefits provided to American civilian internees in Southeast Asia.

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Sioux Indian Lands: Senate passed with committee amendment and sent to the House S. 2780, to eliminate the defense of res adjudicata to permit certain Sioux Tribes to relitigate a claim respecting the transfer of the Black Hills portion of the Sioux reservation to the United States in 1877.

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Cosmetics: Senate passed and sent to the House S. 1681, authorizing the FDA to promulgate regulations for ingredient labeling and substantiation of safety of cosmetics, after agreeing to committee amendment and to Mansfield unprinted amendment No. 267 (for Hathaway), defining and setting penalties for violations of section 301, Cosmetic Labeling.

Pages 24622-24633

Farm Products: Senate agreed to S. Res. 494, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of H.R. 10339, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to provide information and technical assistance to encourage the direct marketing of farm products from farmer to consumer.

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Gasoline octane disclosure: Senate passed with committee amendment and sent to the House S. 1508, requiring disclosure of information on gasoline octane ratings at service stations and in automobile owner's manuals.

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Natural Gas Pipeline Safety: Senate passed and returned to the House H.R. 12168, authorizing funds to strengthen and improve natural gas pipeline safety programs, after agreeing to Mansfield unprinted amendment No. 268, in the nature of a substitute, embodying the text of the Senate companion measure S. 2042 as passed on May 28, 1976.

Senate insisted on its amendment, requested confer-

ence with the House, and appointed as conferees Senators Magnuson, Hartke, and Beall. Pages 24633-24635

Farm products: Senate passed and returned to the House H.R. 10339, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to provide information and technical assistance to encourage the direct marketing of farm products from farmer to consumer, after agreeing to committee amendments and to Abourezk unprinted amendment No. 269, authorizing Secretary of Agriculture to obtain hay in surplus areas and to make it available to farmers in drought areas at \$40 per ton. Pages 24693-24699

Voter registration and turnout: Senate agreed to S. Res. 498, stating the sense of the Senate to encourage the nation's private sector to initiate efforts to increase voter registration and turnout in the forthcoming general election. Page 24713

China Earthquake: Senate agreed to S. Res. 499, supporting a Presidential offer to assist victims of recent earthquakes in China, and expressing condolences to the victims of this tragedy. Page 24726

Bill Referred: H.R. 13876, International Banking Act, was referred to Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs. Page 24636

Messages From the House: Two messages were received from the House today. Page 24636

Amendments Submitted for Printing:

Pages 24635, 24638-24639

National Resource Lands: Senate disagreed to the House amendment to S. 507, to provide for the management, protection, and development of the national resource lands, requested conference with the House and appointed as conferees Senators Jackson, Church, Metcalf, Johnston, Haskell, Bumpers, Hansen, Hatfield, and McClure. Pages 24699-24701

Tax Reform: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 10612, proposed Tax Reform Act of 1976, taking action on proposed amendments as follows:

Adopted:

(1) By 79 yeas to 1 nay, Committee amendment No. 25, embodying Title XV, Pension and Insurance Taxation; Page 24693

(2) Modification submitted by Senator Long to Title VIII, Capital Formations, dealing with first-in—first-out treatment of investment credit amounts, as embodied in unprinted amendment No. 270; Page 24701

(3) By 43 yeas to 37 nays, Magnuson unprinted amendment No. 271, changing from December 31, 1975, to December 31, 1969, the effective date for allowance of investment tax credit to vessel operators; Page 24712

(4) Long unprinted amendment No. 272, of a technical and conforming nature to Title XVII, Railroad Provisions; Page 24714

(5) Modified Curtis amendment No. 1906 (to Title XVII), extending to the airlines, as well as the railroads, benefits under the investment credit provisions; Page 24714

(6) Long unprinted amendment No. 273 (to Title XVII), relating to amortization of railroad track assets; Page 24715

(7) Packwood unprinted amendment No. 274 (to Title XVII), concerning methods of accounting for depreciation of expenditures for installation of railroad ties; Page 24717

(8) By unanimous vote of 78 yeas, Committee amendment No. 27, embodying Title XVII, as amended and modified; Page 24710

(9) Modified Fong amendment No. 1994 (to Title XXI), setting minimum distribution requirements to include consideration of miscellaneous distribution; Page 24718

(10) By unanimous vote of 77 yeas, Committee amendment No. 31, embodying Title XXI, Tax Exempt Organizations, as amended; Page 24719

(11) Section 806, Investment Credit in the Case of Certain Ships, and Section 807, 8-year carryover of net operating loss; Page 24719

(12) Long unprinted amendment No. 275, making further amendment to Title XII, Repeal and Revision of Obsolete and Rarely used Provisions of the Internal Revenue Code; Page 24720

(13) By unanimous vote of 77 yeas, unprinted committee amendment No. 276, embodying Title XXIII, entitled Other Amendments, minus sections 2306, 2308, and 2309; Page 24720

(14) By unanimous vote of 77 yeas, unprinted committee amendment No. 277, embodying Title XXIV, International Trade Commission Amendments; Page 24724

(15) By unanimous vote of 76 yeas, unprinted committee amendment No. 278, embodying Title XXV, entitled Additional Miscellaneous Provisions; Page 24726

(16) Hathaway unprinted amendment No. 279 (to Title VIII) reducing from 5 tons or more to 2 tons or more weight requirements under the vessel capital construction fund; Page 24731

(17) Hathaway unprinted amendment No. 280, calling for study by Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation of the overall cost effectiveness of tax incentives; and Page 24731

(18) Modified Ford amendment No. 1639, granting tax exemption for certain education programs for members of the uniformed services; Page 24732

Rejected:

(1) By 34 yeas to 43 nays, and 1 voting present, Kennedy amendment No. 2120, to delete section 1508, Consolidated Returns for Life and Other Insurance Companies; Page 24680

(2) By 23 yeas to 55 nays, Bumpers amendment No. 2085, to strike from title VIII section 806, Investment Credit in the case of Certain Ships; Page 24702

Pages 24680-24693, 24701-24732

Confirmations: Senate confirmed sundry nominations in the Army, Air Force and Marine Corps in the rank of General, several in the Navy in the rank of Admiral, and numerous other nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Pages 24733-24734

Record Votes: Nine record votes were taken today (total—446). Pages 24690, 24693, 24710, 24713, 24716, 24719, 24723, 24726, 24730-24731

Adjournment: Senate met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 3:47 p.m. Page 24733

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following measures:

H.R. 3035, requiring the payment of interest on certain funds of the U.S. held on deposit in commercial banks, amended to incorporate text of S. 3701, extending from September 12, 1976, to June 30, 1977, the moratorium on power of States to impose "doing business" taxes on out-of-State banks and other depositories (Public Law 93-100); and

H.R. 12934, proposing reform in the operation of the Federal Reserve System (with amendments, which include (1) requirement that the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System be confirmed by the Senate, and (2) text of S. 3701, as listed above.)

MEDICARE/MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Health continued hearings on S. 3205, to reform administrative and reimbursement procedures in the medicare and medicaid programs, receiving testimony from Bernard Tresnowski, Blue Cross Association, Chicago; William C. White, Jr., Melville, N.J., on behalf of Health Insurance Association of America; William E. Ryan, National Association of Blue Shield Plans, Chicago; Frank Hughes, National Retired Teachers Association, American Association of Retired Persons, Washington, D.C.; Don L. Brewer, American Health Care Association; Jack A. MacDonald, National Council of Health Care Services; David Crowley, American Association of Homes for the Aging; and Brenda G. Ballard, National Association of Manufacturers, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

WILDERNESS AREAS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Environment and Land Resources concluded hearings after receiving testimony as follows:

S. 3204, to provide for the study of certain lands in the State of Missouri to determine their suitability for designation as wilderness; and S. 3676, to establish the Hercules Glades Wilderness, Missouri, receiving testimony from Senator Eagleton; R. Max Peterson, Deputy Chief for Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; John Karel, Ozark Chapter, Sierra Club, Columbia; Ed Stegner, Conservation Federation of Missouri, Jefferson City; and Roger Pryor, Coalition for the Environment, St. Louis, all from Missouri; and

S. 3444, to provide for the study of certain lands in Louisiana to determine their suitability for designation as wilderness, receiving testimony from Mr. Peterson and Raye-Page, Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 25 public bills, H.R. 14963-14987; 2 private bills, H.R. 14988 and 14989; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 1039, H. Con. Res. 694 and 695, and H. Res. 1451-1453 were introduced. Pages 24815-24816

Bill Reported: One report was filed as follows: H.R. 6150, to improve judicial machinery by changing the requirement for a three-judge court in certain cases, to broaden and clarify the jurisdiction of United States magistrates, increase the compensation of Federal judges and magistrates, and protect the employment rights of Federal jurors, amended (H. Rept. 94-1379). Page 24815

Winter Olympic Games: House insisted on its amendments to S. 2184, to authorize appropriations for the Winter Olympic games; and agreed to a conference with the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Staggers, Rooney, Adams, Metcalfe, Santini, Skubitz, and Madigan. Page 24750

Public Health Assistance: House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 5546, Health Manpower Act of 1976; and asked a conference with the Senate. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Staggers, Rogers, Satterfield, Preyer, Symington, Scheuer, Waxman, Florio, Carney, Maguire, Devine, Carter, Broyhill, Heinz, and Madigan. Page 24750

Nuclear Fuel: House continued consideration of H.R. 8401, Nuclear Fuel Assurance Act of 1976—but came to no resolution thereon. Proceedings under the 5-minute rule will continue at a later date.

Agreed To:

The committee amendments;

An amendment that strikes those sections which provide for ERDA-private industry uranium enrichment contracts (agreed to by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 168 noes);

A motion to limit debate on the previous amendment and all amendments thereto (agreed to by a division vote of 28 ayes to 27 noes);

An amendment that requires disclosure by ERDA officials who have financial interests in any company receiving assistance under the provisions of the bill;

An amendment that requires any employee of ERDA in a policy making position to wait two years prior to accepting employment from any company involved in contracts under the provisions of the bill; and

A motion that the committee rise. **Pages 24750-24777**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of August 4. **Page 24780**

Meeting Hour: Agreed to meet at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 4, Thursday, August 5, and Friday, August 6. **Pages 24779-24780**

Indian Health Care: By a yea-and-nay vote of 310 yeas to 9 nays, the House passed H.R. 2525, to implement the Federal responsibility for the care and education of the Indian people by improving the services and facilities of Federal Indian health programs and encouraging maximum participation of Indians in such programs.

Agreed to the substitute amendment of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs as amended by sundry amendments of the Committees on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, and Ways and Means; and

Sundry technical and clarifying amendments.

Subsequently, this passage was vacated and S. 522, a similar Senate-passed bill was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed.

H. Res. 1267, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 327 yeas to 1 nay. **Pages 24780-24804**

Referral: One Senate-passed measure was referred to the appropriate House committee. **Page 24815**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on HUD-Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Public Works Employment Appropriation bill—Department of the Treasury.

AQUACULTURE DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittees on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation

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and the Environment, and on Oceanography continued hearings on H.R. 370 and related bills, to provide for the development of aquaculture in the United States. Testimony was heard from Dr. Robert Slesher, University of Hawaii.

Joint Committee Meeting

FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATION

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 12169, extending the Federal Energy Administration until September 30, 1977.

Monday, August 2, 1976

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 24848-24914

Bills Introduced: Two bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3714-3715; S. Con. Res. 132-133; and S. Res. 500-501.

Pages 24851, 24858, 24967, 25009-25010

Report: Report was made as follows:

Special report of Judiciary Subcommittee on Patents, Trademarks, and Copyrights (S. Rept. 94-1058).

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Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 133, authorizing corrections to be made in the enrollment of H.R. 11670, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1977 for activities of the Coast Guard.

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U.S. Olympic Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 500 and S. Res. 501 honoring and commending members of the U.S. Olympic Team for their performance in Montreal.

Pages 25009-25010

Coast Guard Procurement: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 11670, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1977 for activities of the Coast Guard, thus clearing the measure for action of the House.

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Messages From the House: Two messages were received from the House today.

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Amendments Submitted for Printing:

Pages 24859-24863

Defense Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H.R. 14262, making appropriations for the defense establishment for fiscal year 1977, agreeing to committee amendments en bloc, and the bill, as thus amended, will be considered as original text for purpose of further amendment. Senate took action on other proposed amendments as follows: